

From the Editors

In a number of respects, this issue of *The Victorian Naturalist* can be seen to focus attention in several directions. In the concluding half of the paper by Mansergh, Anderson and Amos, the view is clearly to the future; at the same time, the article by Hewish looks at something from the past. This diversity is continued in the other papers presented here, with articles on the ecology of particular areas of vegetation, reptiles, and mammals. The numerous book reviews published here also encompass a wide range of topics of interest to naturalists.

This diversity of subject matter points to one of the more interesting and, perhaps, appealing aspects of this journal – the practice that has developed over many years, of publishing papers that focus not only on natural science but also on the history of natural science, including that of its practitioners. This is not a common feature of many journals but it is one that has long been a feature of *The Victorian Naturalist*. Readers may be comforted to know that this practice will continue indefinitely.

Given the range of material in this issue, the Editors feel certain that readers will find much to enjoy in the following pages.

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